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REMARKS

Claims 1-9 are pending.

The Examiner had rejected claims 1-5 and 7-9 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Yoon (KR 2003039287A). Yoon, however, has a publication date of May 17, 2003. Since this application was filed on January 14, 2004, Yoon cannot be a 102(b) reference. At most Yoon is a 102(a) reference. In response, the applicant has filed a declaration of the inventors hereof stating that the invention claimed was conceived and reduced to practice prior to May 17, 2003. As a result, Yoon is removed as a reference and this rejection has been overcome.

The Examiner had rejected claims 1-6 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yoon in combination with Li (CN1086091A). Given that Yoon, has been removed as a reference, this rejection has been completely overcome since no part of the rejection can stand without Yoon.

<u>CONCLUSION</u>

It is believed that all pending rejections have been overcome and this application is in a current condition for allowance. Such action is earnestly sought. If the Examiner perceives of any reason why this application should not be allowed, she is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned for a telephonic interview prior to issuance of the next office action.

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